

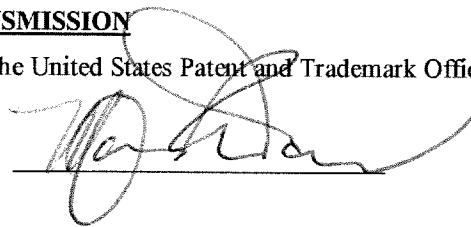
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT****I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

- REQUEST FOR ENTRANCE OF PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicant hereby requests entrance of this preliminary amendment pursuant to MPEP 714.01(e). The preliminary amendment is being filed after the application has received its application number and filing date, and before the mail date of the first Office Action. Applicant urges that such amendment will not unduly interfere with preparation of an Office Action.

- USPTO FEES**

No fees are believed due with this filing. However, in case Applicant is in error with respect to the same, Applicant provides Commissioner with the authority to debit Kelley Drye & Warren's Account No. 11-0404 for such fees.

- LOCATION OF SPECIFIED SECTIONS FOR SCANNING OF THIS DOCUMENT

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- REQUEST FOR ENTRANCE OF AMENDMENTS AND CONSIDERATION OF ARGUMENTS

Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the amendments (if any), and consideration of its arguments set forth below. Amended/new claims that may be construed as more limiting in scope than the scope of any of the claims prior to amendment/cancellation/addition should not be construed as an abandonment of any subject matter no longer claimed, nor should the amended/new claims be construed in any manner to waive or limit the equivalent structures of any element recited in such claims that would otherwise be available under the Doctrine of Equivalents with respect to the unamended/canceled claims.

Amendment/cancellation/addition of the claims is not in any manner intended to, and should not be construed to, waive Applicant's right in the future to seek protection for the subject matter claimed in prior claims, or to seek protection for similar matter in any continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, RCE, CPA or any other application claiming priority to or through the present application. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file applications directed to the subject matter covered by any canceled or previously submitted claim, as well as any uncovered subject matter disclosed in the specification.